

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
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Application No.: UNASSIGNED ) Group Art Unit: UNASSIGNED  
Filed: December 21, 2001 ) Examiner: UNASSIGNED  
For: METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT )  
RELATING TO DATA TRANSMISSION )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 5 and 8 as follows:

5. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein said module is a carrier for electronic components.

8. (Amended) A backplane unit, preferably for point-to-multipoint transmission, for structural and electrical interconnection to a second backplane unit, between each backplane unit being located wiring and databus connectors, which allow plug-in and removal of a module, preferably under operation, each databus connector being connected to a driver and a receiver arrangement, each comprising output and input channels, said outputs being connected to said inputs, wherein between said output channels of the driver arrangement and the input channels of the receiver arrangement and outside said driver and receiver arrangements, a signal termination arrangement is arranged.

**REMARKS**

The claims of the originally-filed application were drafted in accordance with a foreign patent practice. The claims are hereby amended merely to present an initial set of claims for examination that conform to U.S. patent practice.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Marked-up Claims 5 and 8**

5. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 1, wherein said module is a carrier for electronic components [(410a, 410b)].

8. (Amended) A backplane unit, preferably for point-to-multipoint transmission, for [structurally] structural and [electrically] electrical interconnection to a second backplane unit, between each backplane unit being located wiring and databus connectors, which allow plug-in and removal of a module, preferably under operation, each databus connector being connected to a driver and a receiver arrangement, each comprising output and input channels, said outputs being connected to said inputs, wherein between said output channels of the driver arrangement and the input channels of the receiver arrangement and outside said driver and receiver arrangements, a signal termination arrangement is arranged.

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